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Dear Stakeholder,

During the past two years the Department has been conducting visits to facilities using reclaimed water such as golf courses and parks. These visits were conducted for the purpose of educating users on good reuse practices; advice and educational information was offered, and no enforcement action was taken. We would like to thank all of those who participated in these inspections for their time and hospitality. It allowed us to learn a great deal about the implementation of the reclaimed water program in Maricopa County.

During the past year the Department has also been meeting with various stakeholder groups concerning possible changes to the Maricopa County Environmental Health Code (MCEHC) regarding the reuse of reclaimed water. We would also like to thank all of those who participated in these meetings for your time, efforts and patience. You also helped us to gain a broader insight into the reuse program that we could not have gotten without your help.

Our thanks also go out to all of the reclaimed water providers who helped us gather information for an overview of reclaimed water usage in Maricopa County. It has been very helpful in the process.

Based upon your efforts and invaluable input, the Department has decided not to propose any changes to Chapter 2, Sections 1, 2 and 9 of the MCEHC this year, and no additional sections are proposed in Chapter 2. Furthermore, the Department will rely on the reclaimed water suppliers in the County to continue to assure that their customers use reclaimed water in a low risk environment. For this reason, the Department will not conduct any further advisory visits and will not issue additional annual reuse facility permits. In addition, all existing annual reuse facility permits will be allowed to expire at the end of their term. Plan review requirements for new and modified wastewater collection, treatment and reclaimed water distribution and reuse are unchanged.

Again, thank all of you for your time, hospitality and valuable comments. The Department will start a new stakeholder input process if it decides to explore reuse issues in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin S. Chadwick".

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